

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S10045-S10142

Measures Introduced: Five bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2450-2454 and S. Res. 273 and 274. Page S10118

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1736, to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for vessel BETTY JANE. (S. Rept. No. 105-314)

S. 1802, to authorize appropriations for the Surface Transportation Board for fiscal years 1999, 2000, and 2001, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105-315)

S. 2096, to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel FOILCAT, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 105-316)

S. 2124, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for the Maritime Administration, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 105-317)

S. 2139, to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel YESTERDAYS DREAM. (S. Rept. No. 105-318)

S. 1770, to elevate the position of Director of the Indian Health Service to Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services, to provide for the organizational independence of the Indian Health Service within the Department of Health and Human Services, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 105-319)

S. 469, to designate a portion of the Sudbury, Assabet, and Concord Rivers as a component of the National Wild and Scenic River System, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 105-320)

H.R. 1663, to clarify the intent of the Congress in Public Law 93-632 to require the Secretary of Agriculture to continue to provide for the maintenance of 18 concrete dams and weirs that were located in the Emigrant Wilderness at the time the wilderness area was designated as wilderness in that Public Law. (S. Rept. No. 105-321)

S. 1998, to authorize an interpretive center and related visitor facilities within the Four Corners Monument Tribal Park. (S. Rept. No. 105-322)

H.R. 2186, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance to the National Historic Trails Interpretive Center in Casper, Wyoming. (S. Rept. No. 105-323)

S. 2272, to amend the boundaries of Grant-Kohrs Ranch National Historic Site in the State of Montana. (S. Rept. No. 105-324) Page S10118

Measures Passed:

Congratulating Mark McGwire: Senate agreed to S. Res. 273, recognizing the historic home run record set by Mark McGwire of the St. Louis Cardinals on September 8, 1998. Pages S10082-84

Interior Appropriations, 1999: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2237, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: Pages S10060-82, S10084-90

Pending:

McCain/Feingold Amendment No. 3554, to reform the financing of Federal elections. Page S10060

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the pending amendment on Thursday, September 10, 1998.

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Consumer Bankruptcy Reform Act: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1301, to amend title 11, United States Code, to provide for consumer bankruptcy protection. Pages S10059, S10090-99, S10101-09

During consideration of this measure today, Senate took the following action:

By 99 yeas to 1 nays (Vote No. 263), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative, Senate agree to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. Page S10093

Subsequently, the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill was agreed to, and the following amendment was proposed thereto: Page S10101

Pending:

Lott (for Grassley/Hatch) Amendment No. 3559, in the nature of a substitute. Page S10109

A motion was entered to close further debate on the pending amendment and, in accordance with the

provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Friday, September 11, 1998.

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American Missile Protection Act—Cloture Vote: By 59 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. 262), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate failed to agree to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1873, to state the policy of the United States regarding the deployment of a missile defense system capable of defending the territory of the United States against limited ballistic missile attack.

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Child Custody Protection Act—Cloture Filed: A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 1645, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines to avoid laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Friday, September 11, 1998.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

David G. Carpenter, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State.

David G. Carpenter, of Virginia, to be Director of the Office of Foreign Missions, and to have the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service.

William Lacy Swing, of North Carolina, to be Ambassador to the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Margaret B. Seymour, of South Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—263)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 7:38 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, September 10, 1998. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S10142.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

AUTO CHOICE REFORM

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded hearings on S. 625, to provide for competition between forms of motor vehicle insurance, to permit an owner of a motor vehicle to choose the most appropriate form of insurance for that person, to guarantee affordable premiums, and to provide for more adequate and timely compensation for accident victims, after receiving testimony from Nebraska Governor E. Benjamin Nelson, Lincoln; former Massachusetts Governor Michael S. Dukakis, Northeastern University, Boston; Arizona State Senator Gary Richardson, on behalf of the National Conference of Insurance Legislators, and Michael R. Perry, Carnahan & Perry, on behalf of the Defense Research Institute, both of Phoenix, Arizona; Mayor Wellington E. Webb, Denver, Colorado; Fulton County Commissioner Michael Hightower, Atlanta, Georgia; Robert J. Demichelis, on behalf of the Brain Injury Association, and Peter Kinzler, Coalition for Auto-Insurance Reform, both of Alexandria, Virginia; Mark S. Mandel, Providence, Rhode Island, on behalf of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America; Robert Lee Maril, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater; and Tim Ryles, Ryles Resource Group, Newborn, Georgia, former Georgia State Commissioner of Insurance.

RETIREMENT SECURITY POLICY

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings to examine retirement security policy, focusing on proposals to reform the social security system, including S. 2313, to amend title II of the Social Security Act to provide for individual security accounts funded by employee and employer social security payroll deductions, and to extend the solvency of the old-age, survivors, and disability insurance program, receiving testimony from Senators Moynihan, Kerrey, Beaux, Gregg, Gramm, and Dominic; Edward M. Gramlich, Member, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, on behalf of the Advisory Council on Social Security; Alicia H. Munnell, Boston College Carroll School of Management, Chestnut, Massachusetts, former Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Economic Policy and former Member of the Council of Economic Advisers; Robert Myers, Silver Spring, Maryland, former Chief Actuary and former Deputy Commissioner of the Social Security Administration and former Executive Director of the National Commission on Social Security Reform; Andrew A. Samwick, Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire; and Carolyn L. Weaver, American Enterprise Institute, Washington, D.C., former Member of the Social Security Advisory Council and the U.S. Social Security Advisory Board.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

IRAQ

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs held hearings to examine United States policy in Iraq, receiving testimony from Martin S. Indyk, Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs; and R. James Woolsey, former Director, Central Intelligence Agency, Richard W. Murphy, former Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, Lawrence S. Eagleburger, former Secretary of State, and Jeane J. Kirkpatrick, American Enterprise Institute, former U.S. Permanent Representative to the United Nations, all of Washington, D.C.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

INSPECTOR GENERAL ACT

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine the state of the Inspector General community on the 20th anniversary of the Inspector General Act, and S. 2167, to increase the efficiency and accountability of Offices of Inspector General within Federal departments, after receiving testimony from June Gibbs Brown, Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services; Susan Gaffney, Inspector General, Department of Housing and Urban Development; and G. Edward DeSeve, Acting Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of Robert Bruce King, of West Virginia, and William B. Traxler, Jr., of South Carolina, each to be a United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, H. Dean Buttram, Jr. and Inge Prytz Johnson, each to be a United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama, and Thomas J. Whelan, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. King was introduced by Sen-

ators Byrd and Rockefeller, Mr. Traxler was introduced by Senators Thurmond and Hollings, Messrs. Buttram and Johnson were introduced by Senators Sessions and Shelby, and Mr. Whelan was introduced by Senator Feinstein.

PRESIDENCY AND THE CRIMINAL PROCESS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution, Federalism, and Property Rights concluded hearings to examine the extent to which a sitting president should be subject to indictment or other compulsory criminal process, after receiving testimony from Eric M. Freedman, Hofstra University School of Law, Hempstead, New York; Akhil Reed Amar, Yale University Law School, New Haven, Connecticut; Frank Teurkheimer, University of Wisconsin School of Law, Madison; and Jonathan Turley, George Washington University Law School, Susan Low Bloch, Georgetown University Law Center, Peter F. Rient, Gainer, Rient and Hotis, and Douglas R. Cox, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher, all of Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 2432, to support programs of grants to States to address the assistive technology needs of individuals with disabilities, with an amendment.

Also, committee began consideration of proposed legislation to provide for compassionate payments with regard to individuals with blood-clotting disorders, such as hemophilia, who contracted human immunodeficiency virus due to contaminated blood products, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee will meet again on Wednesday, September 16.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 15 public bills, H.R. 4522–4536; and 3 resolutions, H. Res. 520, 523–524, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Filed on August 21: H.R. 4393, to revise the banking and bankruptcy insolvency laws with respect to the termination and netting of financial contracts (H. Rept. 105–688 Part 1);

Filed on August 21: H.R. 4321, to protect consumers and financial institutions by preventing personal financial information from being obtained from financial institutions under false pretenses (H. Rept. 105–701 Part 1);

H.R. 1794, a private bill for the relief of Mai Hoa “Jasmine” Salehi. (H. Rept. 105–689);

H.R. 1834, a private bill for the relief of Mercedes Del Carmen Quiroz Martinez Cruz (H. Rept. 105–690);

H.R. 1110, to designate a portion of the Sudbury, Assabet, and Concord Rivers as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System (H. Rept. 105-691);

H.R. 1983, to amend the Rhode Island Indian Claims Settlement Act to conform that Act with the judgments of the United States Federal Courts regarding the rights and sovereign status of certain Indian Tribes, including the Narragansett Tribe, (H. Rept. 105-692);

H.R. 2223, to amend the Act popularly known as the Recreation and Public Purposes Act to authorize transfers of certain public lands or national forest lands to local education agencies for use for elementary or secondary schools, including public charter schools, amended (H. Rept. 105-693);

H.R. 2776, to amend the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the establishment of the Morristown National Historical Park in the State of New Jersey, and for other purposes" to authorize the acquisition of property known as the Warren property (H. Rept. 105-694);

H.R. 3109, to establish the Thomas Cole National Historic Site in the State of New York, amended (H. Rept. 105-695);

H.R. 3797, to compensate the Wyandotte Tribe of Oklahoma for the taking of certain rights by the Federal Government, (H. Rept. 105-696);

S. 1695, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site in the State of Colorado as a unit of the National Park System, (H. Rept. 105-697);

H. Res. 521, providing for consideration of H.R. 2863, to amend the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to clarify restrictions under that Act on baiting, to facilitate acquisition of migratory bird habitat (H. Rept. 105-698);

H. Res. 522, providing for consideration of H.R. 2538, to establish a Presidential commission to determine the validity of certain land claims arising out of the Treaty of Guadalupe-Hidalgo of 1848 involving the descendants of persons who were Mexican citizens at the time of the Treaty (H. Rept. 105-699); and

H.R. 4259, to allow Haskell Indian Nations University and the Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute each to conduct a demonstration project to test the feasibility and desirability of new personnel management policies and procedures (H. Rept. 105-700 Part 1).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Gillmor to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Thomas Cole National Historic Site Act: H.R. 3109, amended, to establish the Thomas Cole Na-

tional Historic Site in the State of New York. Agreed to amend the title;

Pages H7435-37

Conveyance of Fish Hatchery to Alabama: S. 1883, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Marion National Fish Hatchery and the Claude Harris National Aquacultural Research Center to the State of Alabama—clearing the measure for the President;

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Lake Chelan National Recreation Area: S. 1683, to transfer administrative jurisdiction over part of the Lake Chelan National Recreation Area from the Secretary of the Interior to the Secretary of Agriculture for inclusion in the Wenatchee National Forest—clearing the measure for the President;

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Public Safety Officer Medal of Valor Act: H.R. 4090, amended, to provide for a national medal for public safety officers who act with extraordinary valor above and beyond the call of duty;

Pages H7439-40

Thomas Alva Edison Sesquicentennial Commemorative Coin Act: H.R. 678, amended, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the sesquicentennial of the birth of Thomas Alva Edison, to redesign the half dollar circulating coin for 1999 to commemorate Thomas Edison (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 397 yeas with 1 voting "nay", Roll No. 417). Agreed to amend the title;

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Lewis and Clark Expedition Bicentennial Commemorative Coin Act: H.R. 1560, amended, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the bicentennial of the Lewis & Clark Expedition (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 398 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 418);

Pages H7444-46, H7466-67

Designating Lloyd D. George Federal Building and Courthouse: H.R. 2225, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse to be constructed on Las Vegas Boulevard between Bridger Avenue and Clark Avenue in Las Vegas, Nevada, as the "Lloyd D. George Federal Building and United States Courthouse";

Pages H7446-48

Designating Ronald V. Dellums Federal Building: H.R. 3295, to designate the Federal building located at 1301 Clay Street in Oakland, California, as the "Ronald V. Dellums Federal Building";

Pages H7448-51

Commemorating 50 Years of Relations Between the U.S. and Korea: H. Res. 459, amended, commemorating 50 years of relations between the United States and the Republic of Korea (agreed to by a ye and nay vote of 400 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 419);

Pages H7451-53, H7467-68

Expressing Sense of the House Deploring the Murder of Bishop Juan Jose Gerardi: H. Res. 421, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives deploring the tragic and senseless murder of Bishop Juan Jose Gerardi, calling on the Government of

Guatemala to expeditiously bring those responsible for the crime to justice, and calling on the people of Guatemala to reaffirm their commitment to continue to implement the peace accords without interruption;

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Concerning New Tribes Mission Hostage Crisis: H. Con. Res. 277, concerning the New Tribes Mission hostage crisis;

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Calling for End to Recent Conflict Between Eritrea and Ethiopia: H. Con. Res. 292, amended, calling for an end to the recent conflict between Eritrea and Ethiopia;

Pages H7459–62

Designating James T. Leonard, Sr. Post Office Building: H.R. 3810, to designate the United States Post Office located at 202 Center Street in Garwood, New Jersey, as the “James T. Leonard, Sr. Post Office”;

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Designating Ray J. Favre Post Office Building: H.R. 2623, to designate the United States Post Office located at 16250 Highway 603 in Kiln, Mississippi, as the “Ray J. Favre Post Office Building”;

Pages H7462–63

Designating Jerome Anthony Ambro, Jr. Post Office Building: H.R. 3167, to designate the United States Post Office located at 297 Larkfield Road in East Northport, New York, as the “Jerome Anthony Ambro, Jr. Post Office Building”;

Pages H7463–64

Designating Edgar C. Campbell, Sr. Post Office Building: H.R. 3939, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 658 63rd Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the “Edgar C. Campbell, Sr., Post Office Building”;

Pages H7464–65

Designating David P. Richardson, Jr. Post Office Building: H.R. 3999, to designate the United States Postal Service building located at 5209 Greene Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the “David P. Richardson, Jr., Post Office Building”;

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Recess: The House recessed at 3:03 p.m. and reconvened at 5:00 p.m.

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Communication from the Independent Counsel: The House received a communication from Independent Counsel Kenneth W. Starr which notified the House that his office delivered 36 sealed boxes containing two complete copies of a Referral to the House of Representatives.

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National Skill Standards Board: The Chair announced the Speaker’s appointment of the following Member on the part of the House to the National Skill Standards Board for a four-year term: William E. Weisgerber of Michigan.

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Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention: The Chair announced the Speaker’s appointment of the following Member on the part of the House to the Coordinating Council

on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention for a two-year term: Gordon A. Martin of Massachusetts.

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Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate appears on page H7433.

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H7495.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yeas and nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H7466, H7467, and H7667–68. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:00 noon and at 8:34 p.m.

Committee Meetings

OVERSIGHT 2000 CENSUS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on the Census held a hearing on “Oversight of the 2000 Census: Review of Census Bureau Planning and Preparations in Response to the Federal Court Ruling that Sampling is Illegal”. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Commerce: James F. Holmes, Acting Director, Bureau of the Census; and Robert J. Shapiro, Under Secretary, Economic Affairs.

NATIONAL CAPITAL REVITALIZATION ACT TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on the District of Columbia approved for full Committee action the following: a measure that would make technical corrections to the National Capital Revitalization Act of 1997, specifically naming the GSA as the landholding agency for the Federal government of the Lorton Project; and a measure that would make technical corrections to the criminal justice section of the National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997.

BLOOD SAFETY

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Subcommittee on Human Resources held an oversight hearing on the Blood Safety: Minimizing Plasma Product Risks. Testimony was heard from Bernice Steinhardt, Director, Health Services Quality and Public Health Issues, Health, Education and Human Services Division, GAO; Michael Friedman, M.D., Lead Deputy Commissioner, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

PACIFIC ISLAND NATIONS RESOLUTION

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific approved for full Committee action H. Res. 505, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives with respect to the importance of diplomatic relations with the Pacific Island nations.

GUADALUPE-HIDALGO TREATY LAND CLAIMS ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 2538, Guadalupe-Hidalgo Treaty Land Claims Act of 1998. The rule waives points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with section 303(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (prohibiting consideration of legislation, as reported, providing new budget authority, changes in revenues, or changes in the public debt for a fiscal year until the budget resolution for that year has been agreed to). The rule makes in order as an original bill for purposes of amending the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Resources now printed in the bill, as modified, and considers it as read. The rule permits the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record and considers them as read. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone recorded votes and reduce to five minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on any postponed votes, provided that the voting time on the first series of questions shall not be less than 15 minutes. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representative Hansen.

MIGRATORY BIRD TREATY REFORM ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 2863, Migratory Bird Treaty Reform Act of 1998. The rule makes in order for the purpose of amending the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Resources now printed in the bill. The committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered as read. The rule permits the Chair to accord priority in recognition to members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record and considers them as read. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone recorded votes and reduce to five minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on any postponed votes, provided that the voting time on the first series of questions shall not be less than 15 minutes. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representative Saxton.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 1998

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, to hold hearings on the nomination of Michael M. Reyna, of California, to be a Member of the Farm Credit Administration Board, Farm Credit Administration, 9 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to hold hearings to examine the status of organ donations, 10 a.m., SD-138.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, Subcommittee on Communications, to hold hearings on S. 2365, to promote competition and privatization in satellite communications, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold hearings on S. 2385, to establish the San Rafael Swell National Heritage Area and the San Rafael National Conservation Area in the State of Utah, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works, to hold hearings on the nominations of Terrence L. Bracy, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy, and Norine E. Noonan, of Florida, to be Assistant Administrator for Research and Development of the Environmental Protection Agency, 9 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance, business meeting, to mark up proposed legislation authorizing funds for the United States Customs Service, H.R. 4342, to make miscellaneous and technical changes to various trade laws, and to consider the nomination of Susan G. Esserman, of Maryland, to be Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations, to hold hearings on the World Intellectual Property Organization Copyright Treaty and the World Intellectual Property Organization Performances and Phonograms Treaty, done at Geneva on December 20, 1996, and signed by the United States on April 12, 1997 (Treaty Doc. 105-17), 10 a.m., SD-419.

Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, to hold hearings to examine recent developments with regard to North Korea, 2 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to resume hearings to examine the safety of food imports, focusing on certain fraud and deceptive techniques used by individuals to import food products illegally into the United States, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts, business meeting, to consider pending calendar business, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Rules and Administration, business meeting, to mark up S. 2288, to provide for the reform and continuing legislative oversight of the production, procurement, dissemination, and permanent public access of the Government's publications, 9:30 a.m., SR-301.

Special Committee on Aging, to hold hearings to examine how to strengthen and increase programs for family caregivers, 9:30 a.m., SD-628.

Special Committee on the Year 2000 Technology Problem, to hold hearings to examine the Year 2000 computer conversion as related to the transportation industry, 9:30 a.m., SD-192.

NOTICE

For a listing of Senate committee meetings scheduled ahead, see pages E1681-82 in today's record.

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Committee on Appropriations, to mark up the Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs appropriations for fiscal year 1999, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, Subcommittee on General Oversight and Investigations, hearing to examine the Russian Economic Crisis and the IMF Aid Package, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Finance and Hazardous Materials, hearing on H.R. 4353, International Anti-Bribery and Fair Competition Act of 1998, 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, to continue hearings on the circumstances surrounding the FCC's planned relocation to the Portals, including the efforts of Franklin L. Haney and his representatives with respect to this matter and the circumstances surrounding the payments of fees to those representatives, 10:30 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on American Worker Project: Regulatory Affairs at the Department of Labor—Garment Industry Trendsetters, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, to mark up the following measures: H. Con. Res. 304, expressing the sense of the Congress regarding the culpability of Slobodan Milosevic for war crimes, crimes against humanity, and genocide in the former Yugoslavia; H. Con. Res. 315, expressing the sense of the Congress condemning the atrocities by Serbian police and military forces against Albanians in Kosovo and urging that blocked assets of the

Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) under control of the United States and other governments be used to compensate the Albanians in Kosovo for losses suffered through Serbian police and military action; H. Res. 381, expressing the sense of the Congress that the President should renegotiate the extradition treaty with Mexico so that the possibility of capital punishment will not interfere with the timely extradition of criminal suspects from Mexico to the United States; and H. Res. 505, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives with respect to the importance of diplomatic relations with the Pacific Island nations, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade, hearing on Sanctions Revisited, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, oversight hearing on Delays in NASA's Earth Science Enterprise, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing on issues of concern to the Travel Agent Community, focusing on the following: H.R. 3704, Consumer Access to Travel Information Act of 1998; changes to the preemption provision in Section 10 of H.R. 3160, Airline Competition and Lower Fares Act; the contention that airlines have engaged in an unfair competitive practice by lowering their standard commission rates for all travel agents except for the Scheduled Airline Traffic Office (SATO); and Commission overrides, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, briefing on Embassy Bombings in Africa, 2 p.m., H-405 Capital.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Thursday, September 10

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: After the recognition of one Senator for a speech (not to extend beyond 10 a.m.), Senate will resume consideration of S. 2237, Interior Appropriations, 1999, with a vote on a motion to table McCain/Feingold Amendment, to reform the financing of Federal elections, to occur at 12 noon, and if the amendment is not tabled, Senate will vote on a motion to close further debate on the Amendment at 1:45 p.m.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Thursday, September 10

House Chamber

Program for Thursday: Consideration of H.R. 2863, Migratory Bird Treaty Reform Act (open rule, one hour of general debate);

Consideration of H.R. 3892, English Language Fluency Act (modified open rule, one hour of general debate); and

Consideration of H.R. 2538, Guadalupe-Hidalgo Treaty Land Claims Act (open rule, one hour of general debate).

Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

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